
MILLER DAHLIA FARMS

"The Highest Quality Dahlia Roots Obtainable"

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To Our Customers - New and Old . . .

Hello again. Glad to have the chance to visit with you again. Maybe you're a rocking-chair gardener, just wishing, or maybe you have the time and space to grow a great many things, no matter which, we're glad you're interested.

Each year we try to buy different varieties that will please. Hope you like the ones we picked this time, We've tried to describe these as they grow here, different climates and soils give different results sometimes. For instance, we've had customers visit us from California, who grow our dahlias to a much greater size than we do. Ours are not disbudded or in any way pampered, We know the dahlia grower who is an old hand at getting the best out of a dahlia can tell that they would be bigger in their garden. Ours are grown so the amateur can tell the natural size and stem length, that way they aren't disappointed.

This has been one of those "unusual" years. Cold spring, a long stretch of hot weather with no rain and cold nights. Late in the fall the weather calmed down to our normal warm drizzles and fairly warm nights. The dahlias took off and grew like mad, they were simply beautiful, Along with everyone else we hated to cut them down, they were so lovely, so — we got caught out in the big freeze like most everyone else. We always start digging the later part of October, if the frost hasn't started us out sooner, so we were fortunate and had the newest ones out. They were the biggest, nicest clumps we've had. Well, to make a long story short — the ones in the ground during the freeze came out better than we had any right to expect. Those in heavy clay didn't freeze down as fast and were okay. Those in light sand and gravel are now among the missing. Consequently, you will miss a lot of old favorites in this catalogue, some of those listed will be sold out in a hurry and others we have in great abundance. Anything you had your heart set on and we haven't listed just might have a few of, so ask about them.

Believe me, bet there won't be a dahlia in the ground in this section of country by tenth of November next year. So many of our customers, and other growers too, lost at least a portion of their stock. If you're among those who lost, we're certainly sorry, hope we can help you start again. Dahlias will be taking place of a great many evergreen shrubs this next summer, they make a quick fill-in for lost shrubbery.

Good luck with your garden for the summer. Hope it's a wonderful growing year.

DESCRIPTIONS

Following the name of each variety here, the classification is first given. Next the key letter (AA-A-B) to give the general size of bloom. Then the size is indicated next—diameter x depth in inches of the bloom. Then the height of the plant in feet.

CLASSIFICATIONS

FD—Formal decorative. Fully double flowers, uniform broad petals either pointed or rounded at tips.

ID—Informal decorative. Fully double flowers with margins of floral rays slightly or not at all revolute. Generally long, twisted or pointed, irregular in arrangement.

SC—Semi-cactus. As name suggests, petals revolute for half their length.

St.C.—Straight cactus. Petals straight and revolute for half or more of their length.

IC—Incurved cactus. Fully double flowers with margins of petals revolute for half or more of their length, and tips curving toward center of flower

Ball—Fully double, ball shaped. Petals either quilled, round or blunt at tips.

Single—One row of petals with a definite disc in center.

Col—Collarette. Like a single, but has a tiny row of petaloids around center, like a collar.

Key letter following the classification:

AA—will produce blooms 10" or more.

A—will produce blooms from 8" to 10".

B—will produce blooms 4" to 8".

M—miniature. Blooms under 4" various heights to plants.

Special culture will increase the size of blooms, but these are normal size.

VARIETIES OFFERED AND RECOMMENDED

ALCAZAR , SC. A-10-5-4½'. Rich Tyrian purple, has lighter tips and reverse of petals, good stems, very attractive	\$.75
ALL AMERICAN , SC. AA-11x4x4'. 10" strong stems. Light carmine shaded orange. An unusual color .....	.80
AMBASSADOR VON KLEFFENS , FD. B-8x3x5'. 14" stiff stems. Very clear, bright orange. Blooms profusely and is fine cut-flower. Real eyecatcher. ....	.65
AMIDONETTE , ID. A-9x4x4'. Good bi-color. Bright orange-red with white tips, Good stems, blooms profusely. ....	.70
ARISTOCRAT , St.C. B-7x3x4'. Wonderful bright berry red cactus. Good stems, makes a bright bouquet.	1.25
AUMONIER CHANDELON , I.C. B-8x3x4'. Lovely incurved flower. Pale rose in center shading out to lemon yellow. Makes beautiful bouquet. ....	.75
BALLEGOS GLORY , FD. B-8x4x4'. Unusual color combination. Mahogany red, edged in gold. Good stems and fine cut-flower.	1.00
BALLEGOS SURPRISE , SC. A-9x4x4½'. Very fine white cut-flower. Good-stemmed semi-cactus from Holland.....	.80
BERGERS AMETHYST , SC. B-8x3x5'. Deep pink beauty, has a slight twist to petals. Long strong stems makes a wonderful cutflower. New Holland variety.	1.50
BERGERS MASTERPIECE , I.C. B-3x4x5'. Delicate chamois-pink almost flesh colored. One of the loveliest of flowers, long, strong stems. Perfect cutflower.	1.00
BERGERS WUNDERBAR , I.C. B-8x4x5'. Lovely pink shading lavender with ivory cream center. Good stems.	1.50
BETTY HUBBARD , SC. AA-10x6x4½'. One of the prettiest deep clear yellows. Full flower, good stems. Cuts well. ....	.75
BLACKBIRD , I.C. B-8x4x5'. Beautiful black-red color. Good stems, fine cutflower.	1.25
BLUSHING APRICOT , St.C. B-8x3x4'. Lively apricot shading to rosy amber at tips. An eye-catcher. Good stems, excellent cutflower.	1.25
BON ETOILE , B-8x3x4'. Bright bishop's violet. Slight split tip. Good cutflower.	1.00
BRANDARIS , FD. B-7x3x4'. Glowing coral red, with yellow center. Long stems, outstanding cutflower.	1.25
CAROLINE KERNOCHAN , ID. A-10x4x4'. Creamy yellow shading out to beautiful rose in outer half. Good stems.	1.25
CENTURY OF PROGRESS , ID. A-10x4x4'. Rich purple, very good shade. Good stems.	1.00

CHARLES L. MASTICK , FD. A-9x5x4'. Strong stems hold flower well. Lovely amber shading to orange. Very good. ....	.60
CHAUTAUQUA GIANT , FD. AA-11x4x4'. Large orange, very bright. Excellent garden giant. ....	.50
CIRRUS , St.C. B-8x4x5'. Seedling of Victory Day. Soft yellow, straight, strong stems makes good cutflower.	1.25
CLARA CARDER , ID. AA-11x5x3'. 10" stiff stems hold flowers well. Beautiful glowing cyclamen pink, slightly darker at center. ....	.50
CLARA HOOK , SC. A-9x4x4'. Bright lemon yellow, faintly flushed apricot on outer petals. Good stems.	1.00
CLARIAM KELTON , ID. AA-10x4x4'. Unusual petal formation. Bronze red color, shows a lighter red reverse as petals twist and curl. Striking. Good stems. ....	.65
CORAL LADY , I,C. A-8x?x4'. Very popular incurved cactus of deep coral.	1.25
CORALLINA , SC. A-9x3x5'. Coral-red and gold blended. Twisted petals, attractive flower. ....	.50
CORONA , SC. B-8x3x4'. Beautiful cutflower type. Light apricot, shading to gold at center. Very stiff flower on good stems. ....	.75
CORNELIA B PINCHOT , ID. AA-10x5x4'. 12" stiff stems hold blooms facing. Glowing Burgundy red, has full bloom with long, curled petals. Definite addition to garden. ....	.65
CORONATION , ID. A-9x3x5'. Exotic shade of pale purple with silvery reverse. A beauty. ....	.85
CREMON , SC. B-8x3x3½'. Lovely pale yellow cutflower. Looks like made of wax. Long stems, perfect cutflower.	1.00
CROYDON MASTERPIECE , FD. AA-13x5x4'. Terrific flower of burnt orange shading brownish-red. Real bright spot.	1.50
CROYDON SUNRAYS , ID. AA-11x4x3'. Very large, bright yellow. Slight reddish shadings on backs of petals.	1.50
DARCY SAINSBURY , FD. A-9x5x4'. Perfect flower of creamy white on strong stems. Especially good cutflower for baskets. ....	.75
DEEP VELVET , FD. A-10x4x4'. Outstanding flower of deep velvety red, almost black. Good stems. ....	.85
DIVA , SC. A-10x4x5'. Beautiful shade of soft lilac. German novelty, winning many prizes. Big flowers held on long strong stems. The more you see of this the more you like it.	1.50
DOGE , SC. B-8x3x4'. Exceptionally beautiful orchid-purple cutflower on terrific stems. New one from Holland.	1.25
DOMINANT , I.C. B-8x4x5'. Very incurved and lovely, Light pink shading to creamy yellow at very center. Fine cutflower.....	.75
DUDINE , SC. B-7x3x4', Mauve-pink, shading to white at center. Frilled petals. The doggonedest stems, like fishpoles.....	1.25

EDNA D. , SC. A-12x4x5'. Truly a beauty. Large and perfect flower. Eye-catching deep red with good stems.....	1.25
ELEANOR FRANCIS , ID. A-10x4x5'. Blood red in color, nice plant. ....	.60
EL RUBIO , ID. AA-12x4x4'. Very large flowers of ruby-red held erect on strong stems. Very striking in yard.	1.00
FAITHFUL , SC. A-9x6x5'. Beautiful full bloom of snowy white. One of the more outstanding whites, has good stems. ....	.60
FIGARO , SC. AA-13x4x4'. Beautifully variegated bright yellow splashed with red.	1.00
FINESSE ANVERSOISE , St.C. B-8x3x5'. Very tightly curled petals of greenish yellow, almost chartreuse. Good stems and abundance of flowers for cutting.	1.00
FLIRT , I.C. B-8x4x4'. Outstanding cutflower of pale sulphur yellow. Petals curve in gracefully, wonderful stems.	1.00
FOREST FIRE , ID. A-10x6x3½'. Lemon yellow, shading to rich scarlet. Strong stems hold very showy flowers well. ....	.60
GEORGES DURIVOULT , SC. A-10x4x4'. Showy flower of light orange, petals curve inward. Long, strong stems, makes a good cutflower.	1.00
GIANT OF BAARN , SC. A-11x5x4'. Wonderful light red, with lighter reverse. Very long stems for a flower of this size, hold flowers well out of bush. Cuts well.	1.75
GIANT SPIDER , St.C. A-10x3x5'. Brilliant carmine cactus held on terrific stems. A real beauty from Holland. Fine petals, good cutflower.	1.25
GOLIATH , ID. AA-13x4x4'. Immense flowers on heavy stems. Dark blood-red with a brownish tinge. Well-named.	1.00
GRACE , St.C. B-8x3x3'. A dainty cactus of pure phlox pink. Brilliant spot in the garden. Good stems for cutting.	1.00
✓ GRANDEZZA , I.C. B-8x5x4'. Very beautiful reddish purple. Sharply pointed petals curl in gracefully. Good cutflower on wonderful stems.	1.25
HANS KUNTERBUNT , ID. A-10x4x5'. Very lovely bi-color. Blood red with white tips. Very fine garden plant from Holland, has good stems. ....	.75
HAZARD , St.C. A-9x4x4½'. Wonderful cutflower of an unusual apricot color. Not quite an orange, a real eye-catcher. Try a bouquet of Hazard, Nagels Bijou, Blushing Apricot, and Hearts Desire. Each a different shade, but all blend perfectly. Long, strong stems. Blooms profusely.	1.00
HEARTS DESIRE , St.C. B-7x4x5'. Glowing salmon colored cactus. Very long, strong stems. Makes a fine bouquet.	1.25
HOEKS GLORY , St.C. B-8x4x5'. A sport of Bergers Masterpiece. Lovely shade of lavender, a real beauty from Holland.	1.00
HOEKS YELLOW , St.C. B-8x3x4'. Wonderful cutflower of pale saffron-yellow. Long, strong stems. Blooms profusely. Definitely a must-have in cutflower group,	1.00

HYLAS , SC. B-8x4x4'. Perfect form, long stems. Glowing red with slight touch of gold in center. One of the best cut-flowers from Holland.	1.00
INCANDESCENT , ID. AA-14x5x5'. Like a huge Jane Cowl, rosy buff, deeper center. ....	.60
JANE COWL , ID. A-10x6x5'. Strong stems. Buff and gold with apricot shadings. An old favorite, ....	.50
JANINE , FD. AA-11x4x4'. Proper care makes this a big beauty. Brilliant true lavender. long petals. Good stems. ....	.50
JOAN PHILLIPPS , ID. A-9x4x4'. Light lavender tipped white. ....	.65
JOSEPH LANGTREE , SC. AA-14x5x4½'. Immense blooms of turkey red. Really an eyeful. Strong stems.	1.25
JUSTRITE , FD. B-7x4x4'. Spectacular garden flower with good stems. Creamy white deeply tipped orchid. ....	.50
KELVIN , ID. AA-10x5x2½'. Tyrian pink with gold suffusion. Curled edges on florets. Full bloom, low bush and good stems.	1.00
KENTUCKY , FD. A-10x4x5'. Lovely shade of pink, suffused with yellow. Good stems and cuts well. ....	.50
KENTUCKY SUN , FD. A-10x4x4'. Big flowers of clear lemon yellow. Good stems. ....	.50
KEMPS PURPLE TRIUMPH , ID. AA-14x5x5'. Large and beautiful blooms of purple. ....	.75
KING DAVID , FD. A-11x4x4'. Attractive flower of rich purple. One of best purples we've grown. Holds head up well on good stems. ....	.60
KLICKPERA , ID. B-8x3x3½'. Profuse blooming, satin white daintily suffused orchid. ....	.50
KORTRIJKS VENDEL , ID. A-9x4x4'. Good bi-color. Orangish-red with white tips. Good stems. ....	.65
MAD. C. JUSSIANT , I.C. B-7x5x4'. Good cutflower of light clear lilac. ....	.50
MAD. DE BRUXELLES , SC. B-8x3x4'. Exquisite flower of wax yellow. Outermost petals bright red, center petals each pencil-edged same red. As flower grows older all red disappears except the edges. Wonderful stems, good cutflower....	1.25
MAGNETIC , SC. B-8x3x4'. Beautiful Australian dahlia of primrose yellow shading amber. Early and profuse. Good cutflower. ....	.75
MAJESTAT , ID. AA-11x5x4½'. Massive blooms of soft yellow and rose pink. Strong stems and an abundance of flowers....	1.00
MARIE DRESSLER , FD. B-8x5x5'. Very different color, a bright cherry red. Good stems makes fine cutflower. ....	.50
MARION GLENN , SC. B-7x3x3'. Nicely shaped petunia-purple. Deeply split tips.	1.50
MARY TAYLOR , St.C. A-9x4x5'. Very lovely bright yellow suffused phlox pink, has good stems. Makes wonderful cutflower. ....	.60

MAYOR FRANK OTIS , ID. AA-11x5x4'. Tremendous flowers of golden yellow shaded bronze. Has good strong stems. ....	.75
MICHAEL BLACK , ID. A-10x5x5'. Velvety Rhodamine purple that does not fade, Lovely color, grows on strong stems. ....	.75
MICHIGAN WHITE , SC. B-8x3x4'. Good cutflower. Pure white with strong stems. Blooms profusely. ....	.75
MLLE. CLEMENTINE PAYEN , SC. A-9x4x4'. Light lavender with a darker center. Good stems. Very attractive.	1.00
MOEDER AARTSEN , I.C. B-8x4x4'. Lovely chamois-bronze cactus from Holland. Petals curve gracefully, good stems. Excellent cutflower, ....	.75
MONARCH OF EAST , FD. AA-11x5x4'. Massive blooms of golden yellow with light red reverse. Strong stems. ....	.60
MONTY , I.C. A-9x4x5'. Good cutflower on long, strong stems. Cerise-red with twisted petals. From Holland. ....	.75
MOULIN ROUGE , SC. B-8x4x5'. Vivid scarlet, with iridescent sheen. Produces many fine blooms for cut flowers.	1.25
MOTHER O' MINE , ID. AA-12x5x3'. Immense pastel rose with gold suffusions.	1.50
NAGELS BIJOU , St.C. B-8x4x4'. Soft shade of light orange, very attractive. Try a bouquet with Hazard. Excellent cutflower on good stems.	1.00
NAGELS ORANGE , St.C. B-8x4x4'. Rich pure orange with loads of blooms. Good stems, and a fine cutflower. ....	.75
NAGELS PHENOMENON (also listed as PHENOMENON), I.C. A-10x4x4'. Beautiful flower of white that deepens into a great splash of rose-red at outer ends. Deeply split petals gives flower a frothy look.	1.50
NANCY ANN MITCHELL , I.C. B-8x5x5'. Attractive bright scarlet cactus. ....	.55
NEAREST BLUE , ID. AA-11x5x4'. Massive, reflexed shape, Good stems and a mass of flowers. Truly the closest to blue yet achieved.	1.50
NICKY K. , SC. B-8x4x3'. Brightest scarlet in the garden, has each petal tip split. Truly beautiful and a fine cutflower with good stems. Same shape as Rees Sunshine. Try a bouquet of the two. ....	.75
OAKLEIGH CHAMPION , I.C. A-9x5x5'. Blend of soft orange buff overlaid light tyrian pink, attractive lacinated and twisting petal formation. ....	.75
ORFEO , I.C. B-7x4x4'. Truly beautiful glistening purple. Petals curve gracefully in. Good stems and a wonderful cutflower.	1.00
PAVANE , I.C. A-8x3x4'. Pure soft rose that fits into any bouquet. Real beauty from Holland, has good stems.	1.00
PHENOMENON (listed under NAGELS PHENOMENON).	
PINK DUCHESS , ID. A-9x4x5'. Lovely addition to the pink types. Bright pink, good stems, pretty in a basket. ....	.50
PINK SUTHERLAND , FD. B-8x3x5'. Fine cutflower especially for wedding baskets. Pale pink with good stems. ....	.50

PINK TAFFY , ID. B-9x3x5'. Cutflower type of pink, slightly suffused cerise. Good stems and blooms profusely. ....	.60
PRIDE OF CALIFORNIA , FD. A-9x4x5'. Brilliant, medium red. ....	.50
PRIDE OF HOLLAND , St.C. A-10x4x4'. New Hollander, long straight stems make it wonderful cutflower. Color is Persian-rose almost a cold-fire color. Profuse and beautiful....	1.50
PRINCE OF PERSIA , ID. AA-11x4x4½'. Very bright, clear shade of red, does not fade. Has good stems. ....	.50
PURITY , SC. B-8x3x4'. Beautiful pure white cut flower. Loaded with blooms of perfect shape. ....	.75
QUINNS TIDAL WAVE , ID. AA-13x5x4'. Enormous blooms of deep yellow. Great show dahlia, wins many prizes.	2.00
REES SUNSHINE , SC. B-9x4x5'. Truly a ray of sunshine, brilliant yellow with split tips. Wonderful cutflower, excellent stems hold the mass of frothy blooms well.	1.00
RENATE MULLER , I.C. B-7x4x4'. Wiry stems, light orchid pink with creamy white base. Splendid cutflower. ....	.50
RENAISSANCE , I.C. B-8x4x4'. Cinnamon-red with lighter reverse which shows at tips. Lovely spidery-type with good stems, makes fine cutflower. From Holland.	1.25
ROCKET SPRAY , SC. A-10x4x5'. Creamy yellow, suffused cerise. An eye-catcher. ....	.60
ROCKLEY ORANGE , SC. B-8x3x5'. Very productive cutflower of bright orange. Petals twist, has good stems. ....	.50
ROUGE BOUQUET , St.S. A-8x4x4'. Bright red, shaded yellow. Heavy bush growth and loaded with cutflower-type blooms. ....	.50
RUFFLES , ID. A-10x4x5'. Beautiful rose-pink with salmon shadings. Each petal ruffled along the edges, very different. ....	.75
SANTA CLAUS , ID. B-7x3x3'. Tri-colored bloom, much variegated hardly two alike. Scarlet, yellow or orange and white in varied combinations, very striking, good stems. ....	.50
SARETT'S PINK FLAMINGO , I.C. A-10x5x4' Lovely deep rose pink shading lighter. Good stems, blooms profusely.	1.00
SHALIMAR , ID. A-10x4x5'. Lovely white, very profuse and good cutflower. ....	.50
SHERWOOD PEACH , ID. AA-10x5x4'. Orange-apricot blend. ....	.75
SHOWA , I.C. B-9x5x3½' Two-toned fuchsia edged white. Bright spot in yard. ....	.80
SILVER GLAMOUR , ID, AA-12x5x4'. Eye-catching giant of orchid-purple with a silver edging on each petal. Sturdy stems, good bush.	1.50
✓ SILVRETTA , St.C. B-8x4x5'. From Holland, beautiful pink, lilac and gold. One of the best cut flowers on fine stems. ....	.60
SUNNY HEART , FD. B-5x3x4'. Striking scarlet-orange with a bright yellow heart. Good stems, wonderful cutflower. Blooms like mad, Honor roll in 1952.	1.00
TAIYO , St.C. A-9x4x5'. Deep velvety maroon with some tips white, some solid all on same plant. Very rich color. ....	.60

TIPPLER , St.C. B-8x4x4'. From Holland. Beautiful pure white tipped deep lilac. Good cutflower. ....	.75
TOPS , SC. AA-12x6x4'. Fine semi-cactus of clear yellow. Good stems, beautiful bush. ....	.60
TRAJECTUM , St.C. B-9x3x4'. Lovely deep mauve or soft petunia purple shading lighter at center. Wonderful color and good cutflower. ....	.85
UNCLE DUDLEY , I.C. A-8x4x3½'. Attractive bi-color. Fuchsia-red varying in degrees of white at tips. ....	.60
VAMPIR , I.C. A-10x4x5'. Challenge cup winner from Holland. Deep, bright orange, with terrific stems. It's twisted petals give it a truly "vampirish" look. Makes a very striking bouquet.	1.25
VICTORY MAID , I.C. B-9x4x4'. Outstanding medium-red evenly tipped white. Cane-like stems and is fine cutflower.	1.00
VIRGINIA RUTE , SC. AA-12x5x5'. Rich ox-blood red, strong stems. very beautiful garden plant. ....	.60
VOLGA RIVER , ID. AA-11x5x4'. Bright orange-scarlet with lemon yellow center. Full massive blooms, early and profuse. ....	.60
W.A.C.C. , FD. AA-12x5x5'. Massive blooms and bush. Light lemon yellow shading palest pink. ....	.75
WACHUNG GIANT , ID. A-10x4x3'. Rich gold, low and compact growth. ....	.50
WARPAINT , SC. AA-11x5x4'. Very striking light red and yellow intermixed on twisting petals. Good stems.	1.50
WARRIOR , FD. A-9x4x4'. Good stems. Bright scarlet, broad florets somewhat twisted. ....	.50
WHITE SUPERIOR , I.C., B-8x4x5'. Lovely white cactus. Fine stems, good cutflower.	1.00
WINE SPORT , ID. A-10x4x4'. Solid purple sport of Dixies Wine Dot, Good stems. ....	.50
WINIFRED STREDWICK , FD. AA-12x5x4'. Beautiful big English white. Nicest white we've grown. Perfectly formed.	1.50
WM. EVANS , SC. AA-11x5x3'. Big burnt red of unusual form. Twisting, curling petals give an attractive, deep shape.	1.50
YELLOW STAR , St.C. A-9x3x4'. Brilliant yellow cutflower on grand stems.	1.50
ZENITH , St.C. B-8x4x4'. Long-stemmed and lovely, deep purple cutflower. From Holland.	1.00

NOVELTIES

LA GIOCONDA , col. Bright scarlet-red with a gold-yellow collar. Makes an unusual cutflower. ....	.50
SORGVIET , orchid type. Twisted and cupped, very unusual shape. Brownish tan, mottled red. ....	.50
STERETTJE , dwarf cactus. Tiny little white cactus flowers on dwarf bush. ....	.50
SYMPHONY , duplex. Deep, showy red with purplish center. Most attractive black foliage. Wonderful for bedding plant. ....	.50

SPECIAL BARGAIN

We are going to have a great abundance of some of our varieties. To take care of the surplus we offer five dollars worth of named varieties, our choice, for three dollars. If you lost your dahlias this is your chance to get a start again.

— \$5 worth for \$3 —

MINIATURE DAHLIAS

Miniature dahlias are, as their name implies, miniature copies of larger varieties. Usually 2½ to 4 inches in flower size, the bush grows to various heights. Exceptionally fine for small bouquets, flower arrangers delight.

✓ ANDREAS ORANGE , St.C. Bright orange from Holland. Good cut- flower, medium height. ....	.50
ANDREAS PINK , FD. Lovely water-lily type, same shape as Gerrie Hoek, but smaller and shorter bush. Lovely dark rose, makes an outstanding bouquet. ....	.50
ANIMATO , SC. Vivid clear pink, with lighter center. Low grow- ing bush, excellent in front of shrubbery, good stems. ....	.50
BABY ROYAL , SC. Salmon pink, some open centers, low bush. ....	.30
BLACK DIAMOND , Ball. Very dark velvety maroon, almost black. ....	.50
✓ BO-BO , FD. Bright primrose yellow suffused rose red. Excellent for arranging. ....	.35
BUCKEYE BABY , FD. Golden buff lightly shaded red on reverse. Blooms profusely, fine for cutting. ....	.35
CORONNE , FD. Pure waxy white, wonderful cutflower. ....	.50
DADS OWN , FD. Clear pink, split floret ends, low bush. ....	.40
DUBONNET , St.C. Tiny dubonnet red cactus, very dainty in bouquets. Bush hedgelike, covered with masses of flowers. ....	.50
GERRIE HOEK , FD. The prettiest pink waterlily, a perfect shell pink cutflower on longest stems. The waterlily types are among the favorites of the garden. ....	.50

GLORY OF HEEMSTED , FD, Lovely yellow waterlily. Flowers are so perfect they look like wax. Outstanding cutflower.	1.00
HELLY BOUDWIJIN , FD, Waterlily type, almost transparent white cutflower.	.50
HESTIA , St.C. Lovely autumn shades, is wonderful cutflower....	.50
✓ I.K.E. FD. Four inch deep ruby red flower. Wonderful stems and lovely cutflower. Tall bush.	.40
JUBILANT , St.C. A mass of brilliant rose-pink cut flowers. Strong stems, medium bush. From Holland.	.50
LILY BELLE , FD. Apple blossom pink, wonderful in a wedding basket. Good stems, medium bush.	.50
✓ LITTLE DIAMOND , St.C. Wonderful miniature of rose-pink. Low bush, good stems.	.50
MAD. G. BOUDIWIJN , St.C. Excellent lilac colored cactus, medium bush.	.50
MAUVEEN , St.C. Light lavender. Low bush, good stems	.40
PIN-UP , I.C. Very lovely cactus. Petals curve in gently. Delicate deep magenta color. Perfect stems, fine cutflower.	1.00
QUEEN OF THE YELLOWS , Ball. Vivid yellow, tall bush. Good stems.	.35
RED CHIEF , Ball. Bright red ball, prolific bloomer, medium height.	.40
ROSEBUD , Ball. Dainty coloring, rose-cerise with white.	.40
ROYALTY , SC. Excellent, deep lavender, medium height.	.35
SPRINGHILL ROSE , FD. American Beauty red, tall, wonderful cutflower.	.35
SWIFT , St.C. Brilliant rose cactus from Holland. Stiff stems, Excellent cutflower. Low bush.	.50
VERITY WADSWORTH , FD. Yellow, profuse, tall bush. Good cutflower.	.35
WHITE FAWN , FD. Lovely white cutflower. Good stems, medium bush,	.35

POMPONS

ALBINO , Lovely white from Holland. Early and profuse. Tall.	.35
ALDA , Black-red. Medium height.	.35
ANDRE MENOU . Nice pink. Low bush.	.35
BANTAM . Bright, light scarlet, orange tone.	.35
✓ BETTY ANN . Small flower, light pink, low bush.	.35
BRONZE BEAUTY . Amber with orange reverse. Medium bush.	.35
CELESTIA . Lovely, small white. Medium bush.	.35
CLEO . Orange, deeper shadings, tall bush.	.35
HELEN ANITA , Pinkish lavender with white center. Lovely.	.35
JOE FETTE . Very good white, medium bush.	.35

KOCHELSE. Large flower, bright red. Very attractive Hollander.50
LIBBY ROHR. Tall, long stemmed purple. Ideal for cutting.35
✓ LITTLE DAVID. Small flower, burnt orange. Low bush.35
MARY MUNNS. Medium sized flower, light purple. Low bush.35
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CULTURAL DIRECTIONS

Do Not Plant Dahlias in Cold, Wet Ground

Many dahlias rot in ground as result of too early planting. If your ground is well-drained and the weather has been warm you can safely plant in mid-April, but each spring brings its own set of problems so be sure the ground is okay. Ground should be well worked up about two weeks ahead of planting. Application of 5 pounds of bone meal and 1 pound of Muriate or Sulphate of Potash to every 10 hills will give them a good start.

Hole should be from 5 inches in heavy soil to 8 inches in light sandy soil. Holes should be approximately 3 feet apart for larger varieties, closer for smaller varieties. Drive stake before root placed in hole to prevent breaking root. Lay root on side with eye on upper side and cover with about two inches of soil if your ground is light. If ground is heavy fill hole completely to keep water from collecting and rotting dahlia. In light soil fill the hole in as dahlia plant grows. A light mulch of grass clippings or similar material will help during hot weather.

Do not water too often, but water deeply whenever necessary. The water should reach down in the ground about a foot to be of much help.

As the buds begin to form a light dressing of commercial fertilizer, applied about eight inches from plant to avoid burning, will keep the flowers coming. Too much nitrogen will produce heavy bush growth, weakens the stems somewhat and produces a poor root crop.

Spray regularly to keep pests, especially aphids, off plants. Your local garden store will tell you the brand of spray most used in your community.

After the first killing frost, or sooner if getting late in year, the clumps should be dug. If the frost hasn't bothered dahlias and it is time to dig, you may cut tops off and allow a few days for sap to go down, then dig. If dirt is washed off gently the eyes will show at digging time and it's very easy to divide at that time. Write the name on each tuber to avoid mixups, let dry, dust cut parts with sulphur and pack away. We prefer sawdust or shavings to pack in. Be sure they are put in a frost-free storage spot, not too warm or they will shrivel badly. Try planting two roots of a kind, one on each side of stake. If one has an accident you still have a well-filled flowerbed.

We hope you find much pleasure in your garden.

CUTFLOWERS

Try this for longer-lasting bouquets. Boil the tips of stems for 30 seconds, then place in water of bath temperature. Allow water to cool before removing flowers and arranging in usual cool water. Wrap paper around blooms while in warm water to protect blooms. Use a sharp knife to cut stems to prevent bruising which shuts out water. If you re-cut stems, seal the new cut with boiling water again. Dahlias ooze a milky substance which prevents water from going up stem unless sealed. A little practice will show you that dahlias keep as well as any other garden flower in bouquets.

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